



Wireless  
Infrastructure  
Association

November 16, 2018

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Communication, Accelerating Wireless Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment, WT Docket No. 17-79; Accelerating Wireline Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment, WC Docket No. 17-84**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On November 14, 2018, Jonathan Adelstein, representatives from the Wireless Infrastructure Association (WIA)<sup>1</sup> Board of Directors (see attachment A), and the undersigned met with Commissioner Brendan Carr, legal advisor Will Adams, and policy advisor Evan Swarztrauber.

WIA commended the Commissioner for his leadership in successfully steering an unprecedented slate of forward-thinking policies that provide regulatory relief for the deployment of 5G-ready wireless infrastructure.<sup>2</sup> Specifically, WIA applauded the codification of shortened shot clocks and the provision of a clear and rational framework around state and local fee structures. The FCC's leadership will significantly

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<sup>1</sup> The Wireless Infrastructure Association (WIA) is the principal organization representing companies that build, design, own, and manage telecommunications facilities throughout the world. WIA's members include carriers, infrastructure providers, and professional services firms.

<sup>2</sup> See Letter from Sade Dada, Wireless Infrastructure Association, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, WT Docket No. 17-79, WC Docket No. 17-84 (filed Sep. 10, 2018); Comments of WIA, WT Docket No. 17-79, WC Docket No. 17-84 (filed Jun. 15, 2017), *available at* <https://bit.ly/2te5Inl>; *see also* Reply Comments of the WIA, WT Docket No. 17-79, WC Docket No. 17-84 (filed Jul. 17, 2017) *available at* <https://bit.ly/2lathlA>.

accelerate the deployment of 5G networks. WIA is pleased with the Commissioner's approach in this balanced framework, one that adopts common-sense guardrails to actions that inhibit broadband deployment while ensuring that localities retain oversight over wireless infrastructure decisions where appropriate. Moreover, WIA praised the Commission on their approval of the one-touch make-ready (OTMR) Order that allows OTMR for most pole attachments, which will greatly reduce delays and lower costs of broadband infrastructure deployment. The partnerships between the wireless industry and local communities remain crucial to 5G deployment.

In exploring future actions the Commission could take, WIA asked for assistance in harmonizing the differing rules that apply to compound expansions. WIA noted that its members continue to face regulatory hurdles when applying for Eligible Facilities Requests (EFRs) under Section 6409 of the Spectrum Act (Section 6409). WIA emphasized the importance for the FCC to correct the misinterpretations of Section 6409 and the Commission's previous infrastructure streamlining decisions.<sup>3</sup>

WIA discussed the importance of these additional steps, particularly the need for compound expansion, to facilitate the FirstNet buildout. During the meeting, WIA Board Members presented a compound plan for a wireless facility (see attachment B).

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<sup>3</sup> See, e.g., Letter from Sade Dada, Wireless Infrastructure Association, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, WT Docket No. 17-79, WC Docket No. 17-84 (filed Sept. 10, 2018) at 2-3.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, a copy of this letter will be filed via ECFS and provided to each participant. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Zach Champ", written in a cursive style.

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Vice President, Government Affairs  
Wireless Infrastructure Association

## **Attachment A**

### **WIA Board of Directors and Representatives Present**

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Alex Gellman

Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder of Vertical Bridge

Thomas A. (Tam) Murray

Founder & Managing Member, Community Wireless Structures

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# CWS 75: Holmes Run

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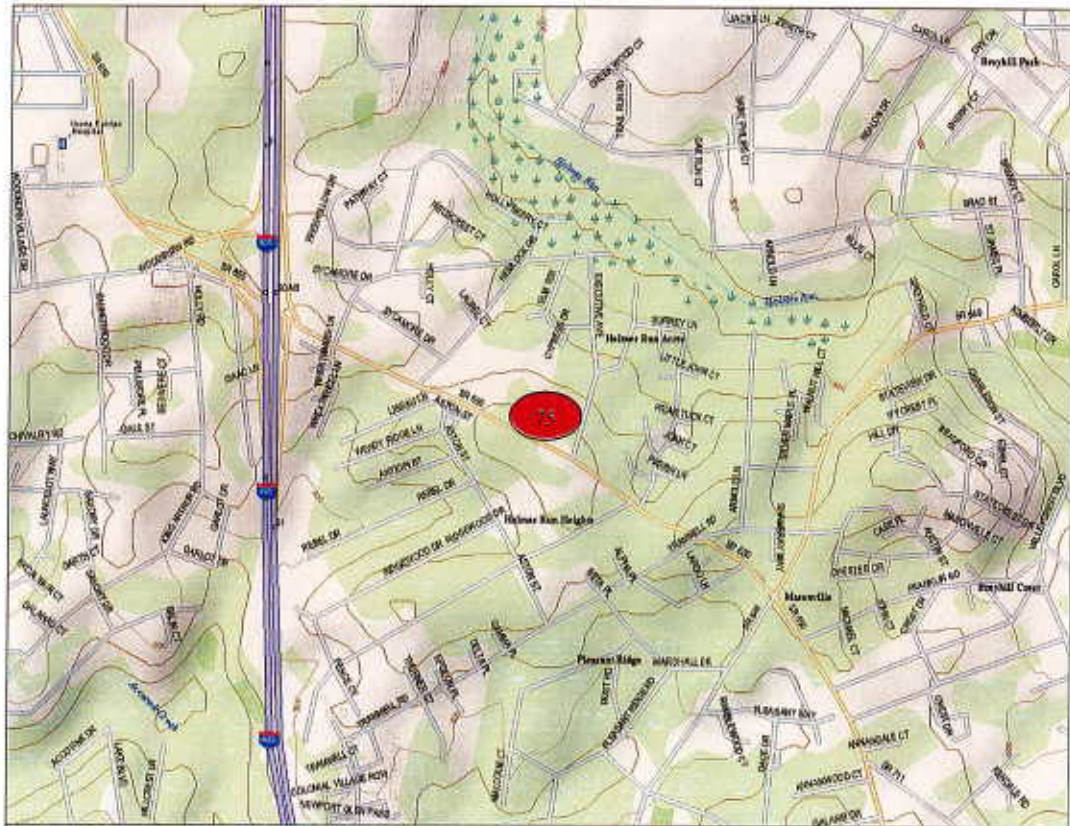
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Monopine Height: 125'

Ground Elevation: 363.754'



CWS constructed a 125' mono-pine at Holmes Run Acres Recreation Center. This site will serve the busy Gallows Road area south of Route 50 and north of Annandale Road, as well as, portions of I-495. T-Mobile, Verizon and Clearwire (Sprint) are installed. The following mounting height is still available: 77'.

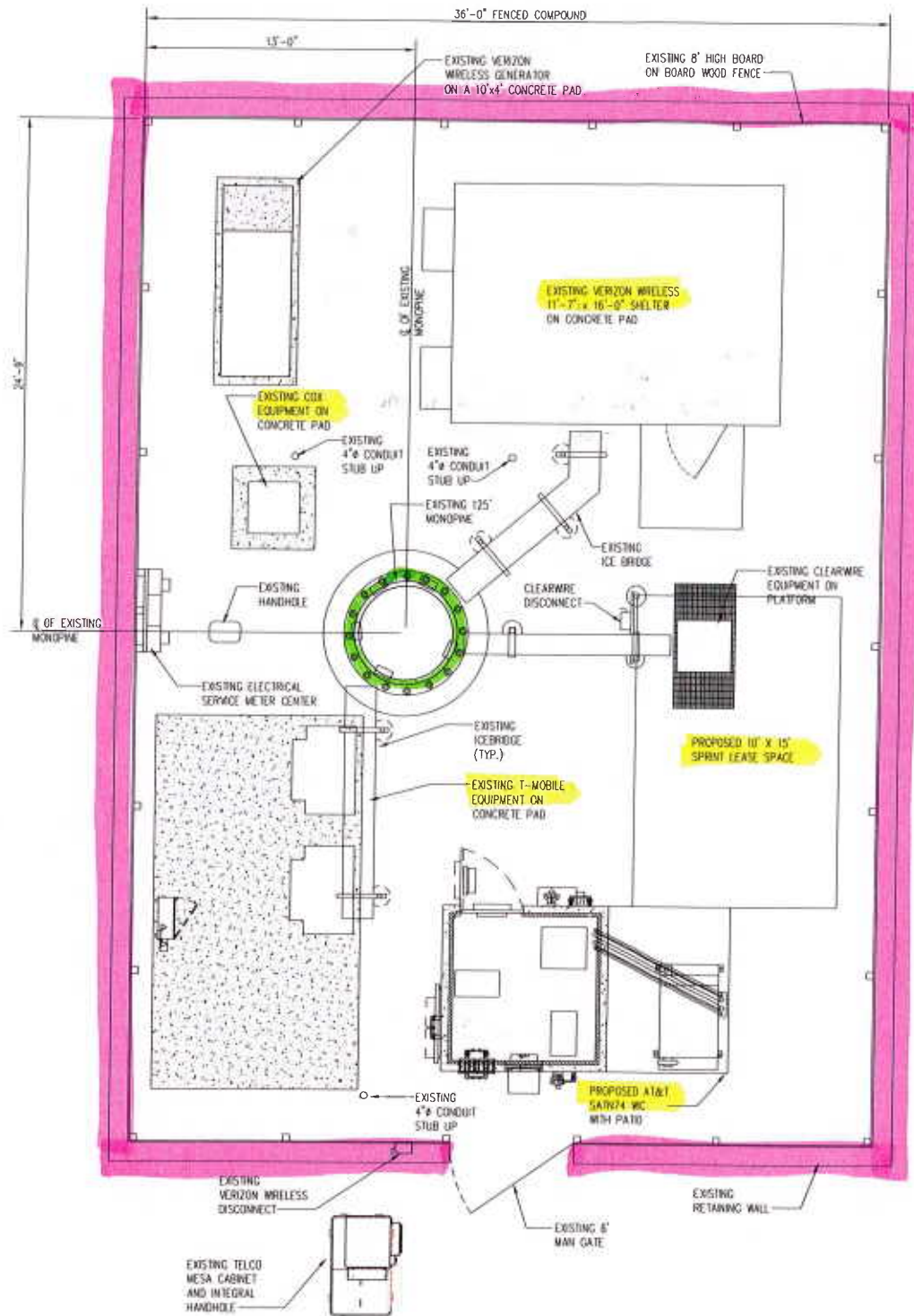


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**COMPOUND PLAN**  
SCALE: 1/8"=1'-0"



TRUE NORTH

**SUBMITTALS**

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